

2009 Montana Farm to School Mini Grant Program Summary

Longfellow Elementary School, Bozeman

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Longfellow Elementary School has created a mobile greenhouse, giving children a hands-on experience growing their own food while building upon the current science & health curriculum.

Gallatin Valley Farm to School Chapter, Bozeman

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The Gallatin Valley Farm to School is replacing the traditional school fundraisers that primarily support the national economy with local, Montana grown foods for fundraising activities.

Hinsdale Public School, Hinsdale

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Hinsdale Future Farmers of America are planting several vegetable gardens to market and sell produce at local farmers markets while investigating the organic certification process.

Libby K-12 School District #4, Libby

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Libby School District is implementing a gardening project to use in the after school program, connecting children to their source of food while learning important gardening and life skills.

Russell School, Missoula

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Russell School is using funds to incorporate a Local Food Festival into their annual September Bike Rally & BBQ, inviting local farmers, gardeners, and culinary experts to the event.

Shelby Public Schools, Shelby

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Shelby Public Schools is constructing a greenhouse on school campus for student gardening projects, and hosts a weekly School Lunch Day featuring fruits and veggies from the garden.

West Glacier Elementary School, West Glacier

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West Glacier created a greenhouse to supplement their raised bed garden, bringing the garden project to full sustainability, extending the growing season, and increasing food productivity.

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